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coupled to the distal end of the core wire and a cage assembly substantially coaxial to the core wire, having a first deployment shape and a second expanded shape. The core wire is freely moveable axially through the cage assembly. The device additionally includes an inner coil surrounding the core wire within the cage assembly and an actuator element, having a first position and a second position, located proximally to the cage assembly, wherein when the actuator element is in the first position, the cage assembly is in the first deployment shape and when the actuator element is in the second position, the cage assembly is in the second expanded shape.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

At page 1, line 3, after the title, please replace the current Cross Reference to Related Patent Application with the following:

This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 09/452,528, filed on December 1, 1999, which is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/941,514, filed on September 30, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,066,149.

At page 7, following line 15, please insert the following new paragraph:

Another embolectomy device in accordance with an embodiment of the present invention includes an elongated core wire with a coil tip coupled to the distal end of the elongated core wire and a cage assembly substantially coaxial to the corewire, having a first deployment shape and a second expanded shape. The corewire is freely moveable axially through the cage assembly. The device further includes an inner coil surrounding the core wire within the cage assembly and an actuator element, having a